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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE DUMPING INVESTIGATION OF POLYVINYL ALCOHOL FROM CHINA (A-570-879)

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TO: DIRECTORS OF FIELD OPERATIONS  
PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE DUMPING INVESTIGATION  
OF POLYVINYL ALCOHOL FROM CHINA (A-570-879)

1. ON MARCH 20, 2003, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER (68 FR 13674) ITS PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE AND THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE FINAL DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF POLYVINYL ALCOHOL (PVA) FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

2. THE MERCHANDISE COVERED BY THIS INVESTIGATION IS PVA.

THIS PRODUCT CONSISTS OF ALL PVA HYDROLYZED IN EXCESS OF 80

PERCENT, WHETHER OR NOT MIXED OR DILUTED WITH COMMERCIAL LEVELS OF DEFOAMER OR BORIC ACID, EXCEPT AS NOTED BELOW.

THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS ARE SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDED FROM THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION:

- 1) PVA IN FIBER FORM.
- 2) PVA WITH HYDROLYSIS LESS THAN 83 MOLE PERCENT AND CERTIFIED NOT FOR USE IN THE PRODUCTION OF TEXTILES.
- 3) PVA WITH HYDROLYSIS GREATER THAN 85 PERCENT AND VISCOSITY GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 90 CPS.
- 4) PVA WITH A HYDROLYSIS GREATER THAN 85 PERCENT, VISCOSITY GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 80 CPS BUT LESS THAN 90 CPS, CERTIFIED FOR USE IN AN INK JET APPLICATION.
- 5) PVA FOR USE IN THE MANUFACTURE OF AN EXCIPIENT OR AS AN EXCIPIENT IN THE MANUFACTURE OF FILM COATING SYSTEMS WHICH ARE COMPONENTS OF A DRUG OR DIETARY SUPPLEMENT, AND ACCOMPANIED BY AN END-USE CERTIFICATION.
- 6) PVA COVALENTLY BONDED WITH CATIONIC MONOMER UNIFORMLY PRESENT ON ALL POLYMER CHAINS IN A CONCENTRATION EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN ONE MOLE PERCENT.
- 7) PVA COVALENTLY BONDED WITH CARBOXYLIC ACID UNIFORMLY PRESENT ON ALL POLYMER CHAINS IN A CONCENTRATION EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN TWO MOLE PERCENT, CERTIFIED FOR USE IN A PAPER APPLICATION.
- 8) PVA COVALENTLY BONDED WITH THIOL UNIFORMLY PRESENT ON ALL POLYMER CHAINS, CERTIFIED FOR USE IN EMULSION POLYMERIZATION OF NON-VINYL ACETIC MATERIAL.
- 9) PVA COVALENTLY BONDED WITH PARAFFIN UNIFORMLY PRESENT ON ALL POLYMER CHAINS IN A CONCENTRATION EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN ONE MOLE PERCENT.
- 10) PVA COVALENTLY BONDED WITH SILAN UNIFORMLY PRESENT ON ALL POLYMER CHAINS CERTIFIED FOR USE IN PAPER COATING APPLICATIONS.
- 11) PVA COVALENTLY BONDED WITH SULFONIC ACID UNIFORMLY PRESENT ON ALL POLYMER CHAINS IN A CONCENTRATION LEVEL EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN ONE MOLE PERCENT.
- 12) PVA COVALENTLY BONDED WITH ACETOACETYLATE UNIFORMLY PRESENT ON ALL POLYMER CHAINS IN A CONCENTRATION LEVEL

EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN ONE MOLE PERCENT.

13) PVA COVALENTLY BONDED WITH POLYETHYLENE OXIDE UNIFORMLY PRESENT ON ALL POLYMER CHAINS IN A CONCENTRATION LEVEL EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN ONE MOLE PERCENT.

14) PVA COVALENTLY BONDED WITH QUATERNARY AMINE UNIFORMLY PRESENT ON ALL POLYMER CHAINS IN A CONCENTRATION LEVEL EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN ONE MOLE PERCENT.

THE MERCHANDISE UNDER INVESTIGATION IS CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE UNDER SUBHEADING 3905.30.00 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS). ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADING IS PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE MERCHANDISE UNDER INVESTIGATION IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR IMPORTS OF PVA FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, EXCEPT FOR PVA PRODUCED AND EXPORTED BY SINOPEC SICHUAN VINYLON WORKS (CUSTOMS ID NUMBER A-570-879-001), WHICH HAS A DE MINIMIS MARGIN, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH SHIPMENTS ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER MARCH 20, 2003. EFFECTIVE MARCH 20, 2003, CUSTOMS SHALL REQUIRE, FOR SUCH ENTRIES, A CASH DEPOSIT OR THE POSTING OF A BOND EQUAL TO THE MARGIN SHOWN BELOW:

MFR/PRODUCER EXPORTER	CUSTOMS ID NUMBER	MARGIN/AD VALOREM PERCENTAGE
PRC-WIDE	A-570-879-000	97.86%

NO SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION IS REQUIRED AT THIS TIME FOR ENTRIES OF PVA PRODUCED AND EXPORTED BY SINOPEC SICHUAN VINYLON WORKS.

4. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LONGSTANDING POLICY OF THE 1985 TREASURY DECISION, T.D. 85-145, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CUSTOMS SERVICE, CUSTOMS OFFICERS MAY ACCEPT EITHER A SINGLE-ENTRY BASIC IMPORTATION AND ENTRY BOND OR A CONTINUOUS

BASIC IMPORTATION AND ENTRY BOND ONLY IF THE AMOUNT OF THE ESTIMATED ANTIDUMPING DUTY IS LESS THAN FIVE PERCENT AD VALOREM (OR THE EQUIVALENT). OTHERWISE, WHERE THE IMPORTER HAS THE OPTION TO POST A BOND FOR ESTIMATED ANTIDUMPING DUTIES, CUSTOMS OFFICERS MUST REQUIRE A SINGLE-ENTRY BASIC IMPORTATION AND ENTRY BOND PURSUANT TO T.D. 85-145. AS HAS BEEN THE CASE SINCE ENACTMENT OF THIS TREASURY DECISION, YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO ADHERE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF T.D. 85-145 WITH RESPECT TO THESE BONDING REQUIREMENTS.

5. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, PLEASE CONTACT, VIA E-MAIL, THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE SUPERVISORY CHANNELS, OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY LIAISON, USING THE ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB." THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT ELIZABETH EASTWOOD OR ALICE GIBBONS, OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-3874 OR (202) 482-0498, RESPECTIVELY.

6. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

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## Company Details

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